Year	*Area cultivated (in Lakh hectares)*	*% age increase/ decmease over the previous year.*
1988-89	231.46	(+) 8.8
1989-90	234.15	(+) 1.2
1990-91	243.97	(+) 4.2

(e) Government is implementing the National Pulses Development Project, with the objective to increase the production of pulses through adoption of location specific varieties and improved technology. Emphasis is laid to (i) to (i) increase the area through multiple and inter-cropping (ii) increasing yield per unit of area.

In addition, assistance is provided for seeds, arranging demonstrations, plant protection measures, improved farm implements, training of extension workers etc., Under a Centrally Sponsored Schemes, Special Foodgrain Programme (SFPP) - Pulses.

Projection Of New Economic-Economic Reforms Abroad

5849.SHRI K. THULASIAH VANDAYAR:Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken/ being taken to project India's new economic reforms in various countries.

(b) Whether Indian Embassies abroad are apprising foreign investors of such reforms;

(c) If not, the reasons there for; and

(d) Whether there is any proposal to set-up new cells in Indian Embassies abroad for this purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRD):(a) The Ministry of External Affairs has taken prompt and affective action to project India's economic reforms in other countries. Our Missions abroad have been instructed to undertake a comprehensive and coordinated effort to secure the widest possible dissemination of the steps that have been taken to liberalise the economy. In order to enable the Missions to do this effectively, the Ministry has been keeping them fully informed about changes with respect to the new policies and procedures. A composite media package has already been prepared and distributed among our Mission to assist them in this task. The package comprises a set of brochures, a floppy, diskette on the theme "Doing Business with India" and a video cassette entitled "India Land of New Opportunities" An interactive process has been established by which Missions are provided up-to- date information about the economic reform programme on a regular basis. In addition, a special reorientation programme is bring arranged from 30th March, 1992 for Heads of Mission from select target countries. The programme is tailored around the economic reform programme and is aimed, enter alia at enhancing the Mission effectiveness in projecting this programme..

(b) Yes, Sir. A number of our Missions are actively engaged in the task of apprising potential foreign investors about the reform process. They are doing this by organising and addressing seminars and symposia and by stengthening direct contacts with relevant commercial organisations.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) No, sir.

Return Of Riot - Affected Persons To Karnataka And Tamil Nadu

5850. SHRI R. SURENDER REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have impressed upon the Governments of Tamil Nadu and Karnataka to make arrangements for the return of the persons who left those States in the wake of the riots resulting from Cauvery water dispute;

(b) if so, whether the State Government have given any assurance in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details there of?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M.JACOB); (a) to (c) :- The Prime Minister held discussions with the Chief Ministers of Karnataka, Kerala, Pondicherry and Tamil Nadu on issues relating to Cauvery Waters on 17th February, 1992. The Chief Ministers among other things agreed to expeditiously complete the relief and rehabilitation measures for persons affected by the recent disorders in the Cauvery Basin.

ECO'92

5851. DR. RAVI MALLU : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS : be pleased to state:

(a) the number of public hearings organised so fat by peoples commission on Environment and Development India indicating subjects handled so far and proposed before ECO'92;

(b) whether the Government have finalised its presentation for ECO'92;

(c) if so, whether it will be made public?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO) (a) The peoples commission on Environment and Development is a non-governmental organisation.

(b) and (c) The Government is participating actively in the negotiations to work out an international consensus on the issues to be considered at UNCED. The Indian delegation has stated our position on the various issues which have come up in the negotiations. The statement to be delivered by the leader of the Indian delegation at the UN Conference on Environment and Development (ECO '92) will be finialised closer to the date of the meeting in mid-June and it will be made public at the time.

Indo- Bangla smuggling Network.

5852. SHRI RAM PRASAD SINGH:
SHRI HARI KISHORE SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether smugglers have set up a massive Indo-Bangla smuggling network as reported in the Telegraph dated February 20, 1992;